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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-77.

Please add claims 78-125 as follows:

18,78.

A polynucleotide encoding a fusion protein, the fusion protein

comprising,

(i) an immunogenic peptide, a native protein fragment or a particle,

and,

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